

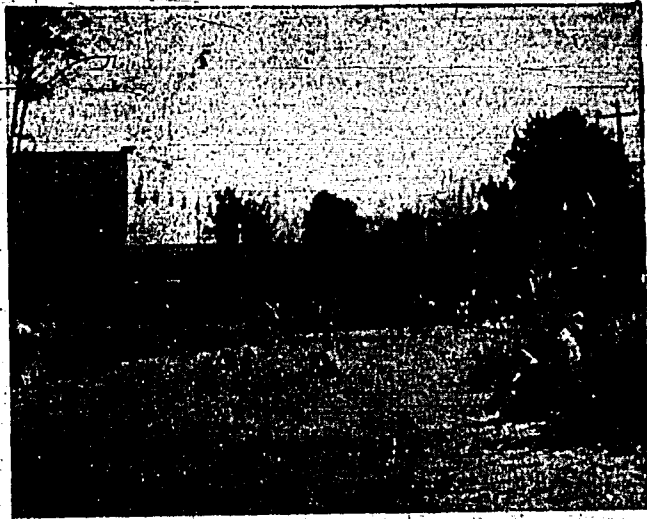
# Vernonia Eagle

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## Vernonia's Swimming Pool



Soaring temperatures during the past six days increased activity at the scene of Vernonia's swimming pool, Dewey Pool. The picture above indicates a typical scene during a warm afternoon.

## 104 Is High Temperature Wednesday

### Official Registration Is Made by Government Thermometer Here

Residents of Vernonia Wednesday suffered the highest temperature registration of the year when the mercury soared to 104 degrees, according to the Cooperative Weather recording station operated by Harry Culbertson. As early as 8:30 on that morning the temperature had soared when the recording was 90 degrees.

For six days previous to the Wednesday high point, temperatures have been listed which have been conducive to send many people in search of methods of "keeping cool."

Beginning with Thursday of last week the Cooperative thermometer registered: 79 degrees, Friday, 89; Saturday, 98; Sunday, 96; Monday, 88; and Tuesday, 94. Weather observers announced a cooled, more comfortable day for Thursday.

### 10-DAY SUSPENSION GIVEN SHAMROCK CAFE

Action by the State Liquor Control Commission late last week ordered a 10-day suspension of the liquor license issued to the Shamrock Cafe. The suspension became effective at 6 p. m. July 24th and will continue to August 3rd.

### SEDAN DELIVERY TRUCK PURCHASED BY GROCERY

A sedan delivery truck was purchased last Friday by Sam and Bob's Grocery and Market to add to the service of the store to its patrons. A regular delivery schedule is announced elsewhere in this issue of The Eagle.

### CAR SHOWING MADE HERE THIS WEEK

Representatives of Bralcy and Graham, Inc., Portland, L. D. Spitzer and J. W. Beville, are in Vernonia this week with a number of used automobiles on display. The cars are displayed on the lot next to the post office during daylight hours and in the Thomas Garage building during evening.

### CHICKEN POX CASES GIVEN AT FOUR IN COUNTY

The weekly health bulletin of the Oregon State Board of Health this week lists the number of chicken pox cases in the county as four. One case each of the following is also listed: scarlet fever, whooping cough, tuberculosis and pneumonia. The per cent of physicians reporting was given as 81.

## Hunters Show Interest in Elk Season

### Hunting Regulations to Be Available About August 10, Says Commission

Much interest is being expressed by hunters in the order of the game commission permitting the taking of 500 adult cow elk during the regular bull elk season, October 29 to November 12, in Morrow, Baker, Grant, Wallowa, Union and Umatilla counties. These permits will be issued in the order the applications are received and already the game department has received over 200 applications. The fee for a cow elk tag is \$5 for residents and \$25 for nonresidents in addition to the regular hunting license fee. A separate tag must be secured for bull elk, fee for which is the same as for cow elk.

The antelope season has been advanced to October 6, 7 and 8 and a total of 600 permits will be issued this year to be divided as follows: 300, Lake county; 150, Harney county; and 150, Malheur county. These permits will likewise be issued to those making application first, and the fee is \$5 for residents and \$25 for nonresidents in addition to the hunting license. Permits for 600 antlerless deer will be issued for the territory immediately adjacent to the Mule Deer game reserve in Lake and Klamath counties. These permits can be used any time during the regular deer season, September 20 to October 25, and the fee is \$5 for residents and \$25 for non-residents.

An act passed by the last legislature will likewise permit the taking of one antlerless as well as one buck mule deer in a large portion of Grant county during the open season from September 20 to October 25. A fee of \$1 will be charged in addition to the regular hunting license for taking antlerless deer in this area, and there will be no limit as to the number of such permits to be issued. Printed copies of the complete hunting regulations, including maps of the areas covered by the special orders, will be available about August 10.

### OILING CONTRACT DUE AUGUST 31 IS WORD

Information was released this week as to the date for the oiling of the secondary highway between Mist and Jewell. C. B. McCullough, Assistant State Highway Engineer, in a letter states: "We are pleased to be able to advise that on August 31 we plan on letting to contract a section 12.53 miles in length (oiling) between Jewell and Banzer Bridge, about two miles east of Birkenfeld. The work should be started immediately after the job is awarded."

## Land Utilization Committee Is Author of Classification Act

## Firemen Call Meeting Of Committeemen to Decide on Celebration

### Oregon Gas & Electric Office Named as Place; 7:30 P. M. Set as Time

Fire Chief Earl Smith, Tuesday of this week, announced the time, place and purpose of a meeting to be held for the forming of initial plans for a Vernonia celebration. Questions have been frequent during the past two or three weeks as to the possibility of a locally staged event in the nature of a celebration but no definite action has been taken as to the time or kind of affair to be undertaken. Several organizations have appointed committees and the meeting time and place has been set for 7:30 p. m., Friday evening of this week at the Oregon Gas and Electric company office.

Committees have been appointed by several different organizations, the Fireman, Fraternal Order of Eagles and Chamber of Commerce. In the announcement by Smith an invitation is extended all committeemen to attend the meeting and representatives of any other organization that may be interested and wish to voice opinions or offer suggestions.

The fire department committeemen named are Harry Culbertson, James Foster, and Earl Smith; Fraternal Order of Eagles, Alford Doran, W. B. Howell, William Fitzgerald, Angelo DeRola and Raymond Justice; Chamber of Commerce, J. W. Nichols, Myrtle Layer, Sam Hearing and Marvin Kamholz.

## 23 Per Cent Decrease Is Noted

### Deaths from Oregon Traffic Show Decline During This June Month

A decrease of 23 percent in the number of persons killed in traffic accidents in Oregon during the month of June, under the same month for the year before was reported today by Earl Snell, Secretary of State, as he released figures on the accident report for the month. There were 23 persons killed in traffic crashes this June compared to 30 for June a year ago.

Of the total of 2,801 accidents in the state during the month, 21 resulted in fatalities, an improvement of 27 percent over the total of death accidents for June, 1938, Snell's figures showed. Thirty-eight percent of the death accidents were reported in cities this June. Fourteen percent of the accidents resulting in fatalities occurred at street intersections compared to 27 percent for the same month a year ago. Forty-seven percent of the fatal accidents occurred during daylight.

There were 28 drivers involved in fatal accidents during the month, 12 less than for the month of June, 1938. Of these 28 drivers, 42 percent were under the age of 25 years and 64 percent had six or more years experience in driving.

A total of 5,585 drivers were involved in accidents during the month, 4,446 being men, 724 women and 415 not designated in the

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## Junior Band To Resume Practices

### Three Trips Scheduled for Group During August, Director States

C. R. Watts, director and manager of the Junior Band, announced this week that band practices for members was to begin Monday of the coming week, July 31. Mr. Watts has just returned from a three-week vacation during which time band rehearsals were discontinued. Several trips have been arranged for the players during the coming four weeks and a number of practices will be necessary, it was stated, to properly prepare for them.

The first trip, for which arrangements have been made will take place August 11 when the band will go to Longview to play at the Longview Rodeo. Details necessary previous to the trip have been made by J. W. Nichols.

Other journeys during August will be one to Oregon City on the 19th to attend the Oregon Territory Days and to the Columbia County Fair on the 26th. The State Fair will be attended on September 4th.

## Crop Prospects Improve; Prices Less Favorable

### Favorable Weather Aids Late Production; Demand Conditions Stable

Some improvement in general crop prospects in the country as a whole has occurred during recent weeks, accompanied by somewhat less favorable farm price trends, according to information given in a report on the agriculture situation just released by the agricultural extension service at Oregon State college. Late crops were helped by favorable weather, but early crops such as wheat, oats, barley, rye, and probably hay, will not yield so well owing to unfavorable growing conditions early in the season.

The general farm price level in the country as a whole is scarcely as high as a year ago, although the Oregon index is somewhat higher. The general economic situation continues to indicate relatively stable demand conditions for farm products, according to the report, indicating that farm price trends may depend considerably upon the supply of the various commodities.

On the whole, the production of all crops is expected to fall considerably below the bumper output of 1937, and even somewhat below 1938. Total fruit production will probably be above average and potato may be about average, judging from present prospects. Considering carry-over stocks as well as 1939 production, supplies of practically all farm products are expected to be quite ample, both for food purposes and for animal feeding operations.

The report contains much information regarding the prospective supply and current prices of various farm products of commercial importance in Oregon, including wheat and rye, food grains, hay, potatoes, hops, beans, flaxseed, sugar beets, apples, pears, prunes, and other fruits, nuts, forage crop seeds and various animal products. The report is available free from county agricultural agents.

## County Land Considered By Group

### J. D. Perry, Representative, Acts as Chairman of Reorganization Work

The following resolution is one submitted The Eagle this week by J. D. Perry, chairman of the Land Utilization Committee. The committee, at a meeting held June 8 in St. Helens, made an attempt to solve a few of the problems relative to large areas of land in the county which at the present time remain idle and non-productive. The resolution, which is self-explanatory is given below.

WHEREAS, Columbia county has acquired many parcels of land by reason of tax foreclosure or otherwise, from private owners, because 1. Parcels were purchased on a speculative basis and owners subsequently found that there was no immediate possibility of disposing of such tracts,

2. Tracts smaller than economical farm grazing or forestry units would not yield a satisfactory return,

3. Many parcels within Federal ownership areas were isolated and incapable of utilization unless operated in conjunction with Federal lands,

4. Carrying charges and such parcels were too high due to school, road, and other tax and interest charges.

WHEREAS, the County Court desires to establish a uniform policy for the classification, management and disposal of county-owned land, prevent a recurrence of tax foreclosure proceedings, provide for the orderly development of the county, and encourage and provide for the proper basic use of county lands to the end that the use of said lands will effect the greatest present and future development and value to the county and the residents thereof,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that it shall be the policy of the county to discourage the sale and settlement of county-owned land in remote areas of the county where such settlement or sale shall involve the extension of the present road and school facilities; to discourage the settlement on tracts of county land incapable of producing a normal standard of living and to consolidate county timber, grazing, marginal or sub-marginal land by exchange with private owners, State or Federal agencies for the purpose of establishing tracts of sufficient size for economical operation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pending a land classification of Columbia county, Columbia county owned lands for the purpose of management and sale shall be tentatively divided into the three following general classes:

1. Town lots and platted property,

2. Acreage lying in the settled portions of the county adjacent to occupied farms, principally valuable for farming, grazing, or farm wood lots,

3. Acreage lying in remote sections of the county, principally valuable for timber production, recreation, or summer-homes.

In the sale and disposal of Class 1 or platted property it shall be the policy to sell the same as rapidly as possible, at true market value.

In the sale and disposal of Class 2 or acreage lying in the settled portions of the county it shall be the policy to sell as rapidly as possible

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## Dance Due Here Sat. Evening

### Local Orchestra Slated to Appear Again for Entertainment of Dancers

Following a successful first appearance here Saturday evening, July 15, the local orchestra under the management of Harry George is slated to play again this Saturday evening, July 29, at the L. O. O. F. hall. Members of the orchestra have been practicing for a considerable length of time and have made considerable progress towards producing a well-received playing group.

The orchestra, since its last appearance, has mastered several new dance numbers. It was stated this week. The new numbers will be heard Saturday evening.

## State Fair to Offer Large Premiums

Premium awards and purses offered at the 1939 state fair, which opens Labor day at Salem, will be in excess of \$53,000. Fair Manager Leo Spitzbart announces. The bulk of the monies, about \$39,000, will go to exhibitors in the livestock farm products, floral, homemaking, art and junior departments. Premium lists for all interested are available by writing the state fair, Salem.

Awards for the night horse show events will total nearly \$4,500 and purses for the afternoon running races will reach \$10,000.

In addition to the cash awards put up by the fair management, winners of top prizes will receive special awards offered by the Shire Horse association, the Percheron Horse association of America, American Hereford association, American Aberdeen-Angus association, American Shorthorn Breeders association, Red Polled Cattle Club of America, American Guernsey Cattle Club, American Hampshire association, American Oxford Down Record association, National Suffolk Sheep association, The American Milk Goat association, American Goat Society, United Duroc Record association, the American Poultry association.

Specials for the homemaking divisions are offered by the General Foods Sales Co., Inc., Kerr Glass Manufacturing corporation and the National Crochet Bureau.

A record in early fair entries was set this month when first livestock entries were made before July 20 by Avon Yonder, Beaver Creek, Canyonville sheep breeder.

Also, an exceptionally large machinery exhibit for farmers is already definitely assured, as this space was virtually all contracted before mid-July. Many of the exhibitors have increased size of their show, making it necessary for the fair to allot additional grounds to them.